

The Miner.

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DEATH OF COL. ISAAC N. DAWLEY.

The Denver (Colorado) papers, of January first, record the death and deplore the loss of Col. Isaac N. Dawley, special mail agent for Arizona and several other Territories. The sad event took place in the morning of December 31st, and was brought on by heart disease. Col. Dawley was well and favorably known in Arizona and California. He leaves a wife (the daughter of Judge Tweed, of the Supreme bench of this Territory) and two daughters. Col. Dawley was our friend and we deeply deplore his loss.

For to-day's local and new advertisements see third page.

The Tiger mining case of Rush & Davis vs. Linn & French, before the Supreme Court yesterday, consumed the entire day.

Citizens of this section, who have, or had, freight on the Montana, are anxious to learn what has become of said freight.

The Administration is catching it on all sides for its latest bad break in New Orleans, which, at this distance, looks black and indefensible.

We are of the opinion that the Bill creating a new county, to be called "Pinal," will soon be worked into a law. Our dispatches assert that Yavapai will lose some of its territory, a small lot, we presume, near the San Carlos river.

A letter from T. W. Brooks informs us that the mail contractor between Picoche, Nevada, and Hardyville, Arizona, is thinking of running buckboards between the places named. His doing so would be apt to please and aid our people.

Congress is supposed to know all about the snow-banks that stop trains on the U. P. and C. P. railroads, so we will not again remind them of this cold fact, but leave the matter in the hands of the San Diego Union, which is not slow to snowball Congressmen.

EPITOME OF LEGISLATIVE NEWS.

TUCSON, Arizona, January 14, 1875. The House Bill to compensate C. A. Luke, late Commissioner to Vienna, for expenses, was returned by the Committee on Claims with a recommendation that \$172 be allowed, and came up for final passage this morning. The vote stood 6 for its passage to 12 against.

Three or four other bills, of no particular import, passed the House.

A memorial to Congress was passed in the Council today, asking aid for a Railroad to connect at a point where the Gila river crosses the Arizona line and running thence, by way of Tucson and Prescott, to a point on the northern boundary of the Territory, where a convenient connection can be made with the Utah Southern road.

Council Bill No. 10—Presented to-day, in relation to the Public School Fund—makes all monies collected for school purposes payable to the County Treasurer, to be divided among the school districts according to ratio of school children, under the direction of the Board of Supervisors. The examination of teachers shall be by Board of Supervisors, in open session, and the Chairman of the Board is made ex-officio Superintendent of Public Schools. Council Bill No. 11—Fixing the fees of the Clerks of District Courts for naturalization papers at two dollars for first and five dollars for second papers. Council Bill No. 12—Prohibiting the Sheriff from holding any Federal office of deputyship, or any ex-officio office, and creates the office of Assessor and Tax Collector, and allows a compensation of ten dollars per annum, and two per cent of all moneys collected as Tax Collector. Council Bill No. 13—Authorizing Boards of Commissioners to call for officers and papers pertaining to any precinct, and to examine witnesses under oath relative to manner in which the election was conducted.

We are requested to inform the Legislature that the passage of a law taxing dogs would not raise much of a bark in this section.

Croft's Western World is no more, it having been merged with The South, which paper will be furnished subscribers to the Western World.

The Military Telegraph has been kept up this winter better than the private telegraph lines. The telegrams over the Military lines have uniformly come through.

Green Clay Smith, formerly Governor of Montana, is now a Baptist preacher, with a salary of \$4,000 per annum. In addition he is Grand Worthy Chief Templar of Kentucky, with a salary of \$2,000 a year.

The San Francisco Chronicle is publishing some interesting letters from Arizona. They describe with fidelity the great agricultural and mineral resources of this Territory, for which the correspondent predicts a prosperous future.

At a base-ball game played at Camp McDowell, on New Year's Day, between the Light-Foot club, of the 8th Infantry, and the Shamrock club, of the 5th Cavalry, the five innings resulted in a total score of 14 for the Light-Foots and 10 for the Shamrocks.

The San Francisco Chronicle states that the work on the extension of the Military Telegraph to Apache, is delayed by the snow (six feet in depth) at Camp Grant. There is some mistake about this item, as Camp Grant certainly does not luxuriate in the beautiful snow to that extent.

The press and people of Sonora still insist that Apaches from the Chiricahua reservation, in our Territory, are constantly raiding upon them. Gov. Safford used to have a great deal to say upon this subject, but seeing nothing about it in his late message, the idea strikes us that the Sonoranians are talking for effect. Perhaps the Legislature may know, or be able to learn, something about this matter.

We hope that the present Legislature will not follow in the footsteps of its predecessors in the matter of granting divorces by legislative enactment. It seems to us that this manner of granting divorces is contrary to the Bill of Rights, and, at any rate, it is meddling with a matter that should be of exclusively judicial cognizance. Our laws in regard to divorces are very liberal—no just cause is omitted—and it is therefore only right that the courts should be the tribunal for these matters, and that the legislature should not attempt to exercise judicial functions.

THE LEGISLATURE.—We all desire to see the Territory and its resources well represented at the Centennial and no one will find fault with the Legislature if it shall devise proper and necessary ways and means for such a representation.

Mr. Davis' proposition, to tax the net proceeds of mines, is one to which we pin our faith.

Mr. DeLong's proposition to pay County Treasurer's \$500 a year, instead of fees, satisfies us that Mr. DeLong has a crow to pick with some unfortunate County Treasurer. Perhaps, gentlemen can be found who will give the necessary bonds and perform the work for nothing.

A TANNERY

Would be of great service to the Territory and, as it would take considerable money to start one, the Legislature might do a worse act than to offer inducements to some man or company of men to start a tannery at some suitable point in the Territory.

ELEPHANT BERRY.

We had intended to let the mammoth ape whose name appears as editor of the Yuma Sentinel severely alone, until a day or two ago when a citizen of Prescott requested us to inform our readers that Berry uttered a gratuitous falsehood when he stated in the Sentinel of November 7, 1874, that "he (Berry) lost \$1,500 by trusting certain infamously scoundrels in Prescott and vicinity."

This being a reasonable and legitimate request, we now assert that Berry lied when he said so, and that it would take more than \$1,500 to pay for the whisky which Berry "bummed" during his long sojourn in Prescott, not to speak of that which he guzzled in our sister county of Mohave, previous to the day upon which he found himself debarred from the privilege of swallowing free whisky in Carbot.

Again, we have been asked our reasons for not giving the lie to certain assertions of his, regarding himself. Well, one reason is: Berry is a natural and artificial liar, whom nobody was ever known to believe. Then, he did tell one truth about us, i. e., that drink once got the better of us, at a social party given by Col. Baker. We were drunk that night, and have drunk ten times to deny it. But, Berry reason that he did not fall down and crawl on all fours, like the beast that he is, was, there was not sufficient liquor in the house to fill his hogshead.

He has said, in the Sentinel, that no man ever saw "Wm. J. Berry" drunk. In answer to this, we say that Wm. J. Berry lied when he said so. When he lived in Prescott, his first great care was to fill himself with whisky, after which it was his custom to walk, like the swine that he is, on all fours, to his den. Again, he cannot have forgotten his visit to Lynx creek, in the summer of 1864, when he rolled over a pine log, dead drunk, and served a useful purpose for a jocosman, who is still a resident of this section of Arizona. Yes, Judge, we own up to that little drunk of ours; but, unlike you, we were not pointed out and derided as a regular whisky blot; nor did any person ever attempt to use us for a water-closet, as you were used to do, on Lynx Creek.

As to your being a better editor than the writer of this, it is for the public to judge; not for you to assert, although you have asserted it.

You have called us a blackguard, regardless of the old story about the pot and kettle. Then you have accused us of toadying to Gen. Crook; you, who have toadied and bent your knees to every placeholder, capitalist and bar-keeper in this section of Arizona; you, who made an ass of yourself by firing an anvil salute in honor of the arrival of Gen. Stoneman, who, you will recollect, never acknowledged the "honor done him." And you take up the cudgels for the Indian agents and, by so doing, go back on your record, made when you used to write and speak against the "Indian Ring" and "Robbers and Murderers." Ah, Judge, you have had many masters; have been everything (save an independent man), by turns, and nothing long. Had you changed your shirts as often as you have changed masters, there would be one sand-bar less in the Colorado river, and we would not know that you are in Yuma when, according to your published statement, you should be in San Francisco.

Hoping that these few lines will find you drunk and obedient to your masters, as usual, we say, in your own "classic" language, "uncork and be d—d."

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

The biennial message of Gov. Safford is, on the whole, a satisfactory document, covering the principal points upon which legislation is needed. The recommendation, however, with regard to the apportionment of the school revenues does not entirely coincide with our views. We think that the best and only fair way to apportion the fund is to let each county have the benefit of all the funds raised within its limits for school purposes.

With regard, also, to the proposition to create the office of assessor, and making it separate and distinct from the office of sheriff, we dissent from the views entertained by the Governor. The office of sheriff is not, at present, one that is overpaid; and it is always bad policy to have two officers to perform duties that can be equally well discharged by one, and we do not think the creation of the office of assessor would be attended by any very beneficial results.

With regard to a registry law, we have already spoken at some length, and such a law should be passed.

The care of the insane within the Territory, as advised by the message, would be an advantage if it could be done at less expense than by sending the patients to Stockton, California; but the Territory is not able to build an asylum of its own, nor does it as yet need any.

The abolition of the office of Attorney General, we think, would be a benefit and we are glad to see such a course recommended; and the next clause advising that the office of Probate Judge be elective by the people meets with our support. If the people make a bad selection, they have no cause to complain. We do not agree, however, with the proposition that a fence law is one of our present necessities. We do not think the time for the passage of such a law has yet arrived.

We were rather surprised at the small space devoted to mining, which is the chief resource and industry of the Territory.

The suggestions with regard to grand juries are very good as far as they go. It is, we believe, the generally expressed opinion of the men of to-day that the grand jury system should be laid away with other relics of the barbarous ages. But we do not see what is to substitute it. There must be some way of arriving at the punishment of crime. We know the grand jury is a cumbersome machine. If the Legislature can hit upon any better and less expensive mode of doing the work, we hope they will carry out the Governor's suggestion and abolish Grand Juries.

With the few exceptions indicated, we think that Gov. Safford's message indicates, pretty fully, the direction that the labors of the present legislature ought to take.

ABOUT JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

Knowing it to be the desire of the citizens of Mohave and Yavapai counties to have these two counties united in a judicial district, we ask the present Legislature to comply with said desire. The argument used in favor of the move is that the counties named are side by side in Northern Arizona; that their people are and will be engaged in mining and stock raising; that, consequently, questions of law to be decided in both will be exactly alike; that the climate of both counties is similar, or nearly so, and that, together, they would form a more convenient district for a Judge than any of the districts as at present organized.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Special to the Miner by U. S. Military and W. U. Lines.)

Foreign and Domestic.

Washington, Jan. 12.—C. P. Huntington and Gen. D. D. Colton are working hard to secure Congressional authority for the proposed change of the route of the Southern Pacific R. R. of California from the San Benito to the Salinas Valley, without losing or changing their land grant. A bill authorizing the change has been introduced by Houghton of the House R. R. Committee.

New York, Jan. 12.—Messrs. Talcott, Alexander and Guion, directors of the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., have resigned. King Kalakaua has arrived here on the way home.

Carson, Jan. 12.—Wm. Sharon was elected U. S. Senator to-day; the vote standing 17 to 7 in the Senate and 32 to 14 in the Assembly; a strict party vote. In the Senate a resolution instructing Senators Jones and Stewart and Representative Kendall, to go to Washington and attend to their duties was, after much debate, indefinitely postponed.

San Francisco, Jan. 12.—There was a decline in the mining stock market to-day. The softening extended quite through the list. The Opium went at 22½; Mexican 64; California 68; Consolidated Virginia 60; Belcher 30; Crown Point 43.

Gold in New York 111½; Greenbacks in San Francisco 89 and 89½.

San Diego, Jan. 13.—The Mohongo, which arrived yesterday, reports the Montana still ashore at Pichilingi, a U. S. Navy coaling station near La Paz, with a hole in her bottom. It seems that she ran upon a rock while entering La Paz harbor. She went to her present position, discharged all her cargo and hoped to repair the damage and proceed on her voyage, but failed and was waiting for steamer Newbern to assist her. The probabilities were that the Newbern would have to tow her to San Francisco.

Salt Lake, Jan. 9.—The first severe storm of the season occurred yesterday and last night along the U. P. R. R. In the morning, the thermometer marked 16 degrees below zero at Omaha and 26 below at Cheyenne. It is snowing at Cheyenne. The Western bound U. P. train reported 11 hours late at Green River.

Virginia, Nev., Jan. 9.—The city is more lively to-night than during the most exciting times of the November election, attributable of course to the stir created by the Great Bonanza. Prospecting is going on all around the city. To-day specimens were brought in by F. W. Stewart from a claim located by him on the other side of Mount Davidson, 9 miles from town. The ledge is 100 feet wide and crops out at the surface a short distance this side of Washoe Lake. The claim was worked in 1863 but as few outside mines would pay at that time it was abandoned by the owners. As it costs but little to locate a claim many persons have put up their notices and had them recorded, and will take chances of their turning out well.

Washington, Jan. 13.—President Grant's special message to Congress on the troubles in the South sustains Gen. Sheridan, while the President regrets the necessity for using military force.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 13.—The Pennsylvania Assembly, by a vote of 198 to 85, have passed a resolution denouncing the abuse of Federal power in Louisiana.

New Orleans, Jan. 13.—The Kellogg Legislature has elected P. B. S. Pinchback U. S. Senator.

Salt Lake, Jan. 13.—Snow has been falling heavily for the past few days. All the trains on the Union Pacific R. R. are delayed.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—The mining stock market was a little soft yesterday; attributed to the fact that it was collection day. The market has every appearance of recovering to-day. Gen. Eckert, General Superintendent of the eastern division of the W. U. telegraph company, has resigned. It is rumored that he is to be General Superintendent of the Atlantic & Pacific lines and then President.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Mr. West, in the Senate yesterday, presented a bill appropriating \$600,000 to erect a U. S. government telegraph line from Washington, via Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Hartford to Boston. The operating offices of the same to be erected in the Post-offices and to be under the control of the Postmaster General.

Territorial Dispatches.

Stanwix. Goldberg's train left here yesterday for Yuma.

There are several men stopping in this vicinity and bathing in the Agua Caliente, which has been fitted up with a very comfortable bath-house, by Col. Woolsey.

The river and lagoons are teeming with wild fowls, and the Ninnrods are very jubilant.

Verde. The buckboard which should connect with the mail from New Mexico arrived this a. m., in charge of Mr. Wales Arnold, who reports that the driver, Mr. Rarick, has not been heard from since leaving Arnold's station, on horseback, to make connections. As there was no escort accompanying Rarick, from Camp Verde this time, it is feared that the Indians may have gobbled him. The Verde mail has been delayed two days in consequence.

Yuma. Yuma, Jan. 13.—Heavy fog prevails this morning, with the air damp although warm.

Col. C. W. Wingard, Paymaster U. S. A., with clerk and escort, arrived here last evening en route to San Francisco. He will pay the troops at Fort Yuma to-day and leave this afternoon overland.

Yuma, Jan. 14.—Weather this morning is cloudy and every indication of rain. Col. Wingard and clerk left yesterday by stage.

Florence.

Florence, Jan. 13.—Weather pleasant and favorable for all kinds farm labor. Every one seems to be busy, consequently quietness reigns in the Valley. A drove of between 800 and 900 cattle passed through here early this morning, owned by parties in San Francisco and are being driven to California. Stages arrive and depart on time and passengers numerous.

Tucson. Wm. Gardner, who made the discovery of a gold-bearing ledge and two silver-bearing ledges at Apache Pass, yesterday returned to town after an extended visit to the mines. He has made the following locations: The London, Baltimore, Gardner, Boyle, and Miller. All these mines are situated within a radius of two miles. There are two extensions on the gold-bearing ledge, and three on the silver ledges. Col. Boyle, who represents the Sonora Mining Company, of London, is interested with him, and they have put a force of men at work developing the mines. Assays have already been made of the gold quartz, which shows a yield of \$100 per ton. Specimens of the silver ore have been brought in, which are very rich. As yet, no assay has been made, but it is thought it will go as high as \$30 to \$50 per ton. The mines are situated from a mile to two miles from water, with plenty of wood

in the neighborhood, which will cost delivered, about \$2½ per cord. The Sonora Company own a 10-stamp mill, which was placed near the site of the recent discoveries.

Ten years ago Col. Boyle was here for the purpose of removing the mill. He has been favorably impressed with the mines and will either buy the mines on behalf of his company or start the mill and do custom work. Extensive operations have already been commenced. Nothing of importance transpired in the Legislature yesterday.

The Independence Base Ball Club, of Camp Lowell, has come out with a challenge to play any other club a match game of ball on the ground selected by the club taking up the challenge. The game to be played either for stakes or for fun.

TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE.

(From our Special Legislative Correspondent.)

Tucson, January 8. Nothing of importance transpired in the Legislature to-day. Met at 10 o'clock, a. m., and adjourned till Monday next in honor of the 8th of January battle of New Orleans.

To-morrow most of the Delegates will pay a visit to the Mission of San Xavier.

Tucson, January 12.—In the Council yesterday, notice of the introduction of bills was given as follows:

By Davis—An act to tax the net proceeds of mines.

By De Long—An act fixing the pay of the County Treasurers of the various counties at \$500 per annum, instead of fees, as at present.

An act fixing salary of Territorial Treasurer at \$500 per annum.

An act separating the office of sheriff from that of assessor and tax collector.

An act concerning the duties of election inspectors and judges.

By Brady—An act to create the county of "Pinal," taking a part of the counties of Pima and Maricopa.

By Zeckendorf—An act amendatory to chapter 58 of Howell Code.

Two divorce bills were also filed with the clerk.

Council resolution relative to printing the Journals of both houses daily has been indefinitely postponed by the House.

The resolution authorizing the publication of 1,000 copies in English and 200 copies in Spanish of the Governor's Message, has passed both Houses.

Considerable skirmishing is going on over the allowance of clerks for the principal committees, and if present operations continue much longer the economical policy of some of the members might be looked upon as a little uncertain.

Tucson, Jan. 13.—Council bill No. 6, an Act to provide for the taxation of the net proceeds of mines, introduced by Davis of Mohave, provides that all ores, tailings and mineral-bearing matter of whatever character shall be assessed for taxation for Territorial purposes. From the yield there shall be deducted the actual cost of extracting the ore from the mines, or the cost of saving tailings, the cost of transportation to place of reduction or sale, and the remainder shall be deemed net proceeds. On ore paying from \$40 to \$60 per ton, deductions shall not exceed 80 per cent of gross yield; \$60 to \$70 per ton not to exceed 70 per cent; \$70 to \$200 and over per ton, not to exceed 40 per cent. \$15 per ton may be allowed additional, where the mineral-bearing matter is roasted before reduction. The county assessors shall make the assessment quarterly, on or before the second day of February, May, August and November.

Managers of mines shall make statement under oath of the total number of tons extracted, the gross yield and actual expense. The books of any company shall be open to the assessor's inspection. False returns are made punishable under existing perjury laws. Appeal from the assessor's action shall be to the Board of Supervisors, and their decision shall be final. The tax shall be paid quarterly. The ownership of claims, to possession to any mine or claim shall not be taxed. The bill is ordered printed.

Council bill, No. 1, to create the county of Pinal, takes a piece off of Pima, Maricopa and Yavapai counties. The boundaries are defined by standard and township lines, and very lengthy. The county seat to be temporarily fixed at Florence, and its permanent location to be submitted to the voters at an election, in March next.

MILITARY NEWS.

The following orders were recently issued from Headquarters, Department of Arizona:

1. So much of paragraph 4, of Special Orders No. 101, series of 1874, as directs Acting Assistant Surgeon J. R. Manners of the post for duty as post surgeon, Military Division of the Pacific for annulment of contract, is so far modified as to authorize the annulment of contract in this Department.

2. Private John D. Parron, Co. A, 5th Cav., is relieved from extra duty in the Quartermaster's Department at Whipple Depot, A. T., to date from the 1st ultimo, and will report to the commanding officer, Fort Whipple, for duty until an opportunity occurs for him to join his company.

3. Private Stanton P. Allen, Co. H, 5th Cav., is transferred to the General Service Detachment, and assigned to duty at these Headquarters.

4. Upon the recommendation of his company and post commanders, the unexecuted portion of the sentence of Private Robert Adams, Co. E, 5th Cav., (sentence pronounced in General Orders No. 12, series of 1874, from these Headquarters), is annulled.

5. The contract of Acting Assistant Surgeon J. R. White, is hereby annulled.

1. Upon his arrival in this Department, Assistant Surgeon Alfred D. Wilson, will proceed without delay, to Camp McDowell, A. T., reporting upon his arrival to the commanding officer of the post for duty as post surgeon.

2. Major A. W. Evans, 3d Cav., Acting Assistant Inspector General, will proceed without delay, to inspect the troops and posts of Camp McDowell and Lowell, A. T., and, on the completion of this duty, he will return to these Headquarters.

FOR THE INTEREST OF ALL PARTIES.

There can be no doubt of the wisdom of the course pursued by Governor Brannan, with reference to the last Grand G. G. Concert of the Kentucky Library. The short postponement to February 27th will insure the sale of every ticket, which will be more satisfactory to every ticket-holder, and more for the interest of the Library, and that there may be no doubt of its coming off this time, the Governor proposes to return every ticket-holder's money in case of failure.

I have a quantity of Imported Oats and Barley, sent from the Department of Agriculture, to the Market of Hon. R. C. McCormick, which I am authorized to distribute. Ranchmen, who I am authorized to report results, are invited to call for them. JAS. S. GILES.

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